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#### FARMERS' BULLETINS, CIRCULARS, AND SEPARATES FOR GRATUITOUS DISTRIBUTION.

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#### FARMERS' BULLETINS.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 34.—Meats: Composition and Cooking. By Chas. D. Woods. Pp. 32, figs. 4, charts 4.

This contains concise explanatory statements regarding the structure, composition, texture, flavor, and digestibility of meats, practical suggestions regarding different methods of cooking meats, and tables showing the composition and fuel value of different kinds and cuts of meats.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 85 (revised).—Fish as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 32.

Shows the food value of fish, the great importance of the fisheries of the United States, and the immense amount of nutritive material taken each year from the salt and fresh waters of this country.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 93.—Sugar as Food. By Mary Hinman Abel. Pp. 31.

The characteristics of cane sugar and other sorts of sugar are discussed, as well as the food value of sugar. The practical use of sugar in the diet of children and adults is spoken of, and general conclusions drawn as to the amount of sugar desirable in the diet and the form in which it may be consumed.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 112 (revised).—Bread and the Principles of Bread Making. By Helen W. Atwater. Pp. 40, figs. 7.

The results of a large number of experiments at the different experiment stations and at other American and foreign institutions on different problems connected with bread and bread making are summarized, as well as the information on these topics afforded by standard works. It is not the object of this bulletin to give recipes for making bread, but to explain the reasons for the different steps in bread making in the light of recent investigations.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 121 (revised).—Beans, Peas, and Other Legumes as Food. By Mary Hinman Abel. Pp. 39, figs. 10.

Beans, peas, lentils, and other legumes used, fresh or dried, as articles of diet are described, and their food value as compared with other vegetables and with animal foods is discussed. The principles which govern the cooking of leguminous vegetables are treated, and statistics are given of the use of such foods and their importance in the diet.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 128 (revised).—Eggs and Their Uses as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 40.

The composition of hen, duck, turkey, goose, and guinea fowl eggs is given, together with that of some egg products and egg substitutes. The bulletin discusses the food value of eggs, their flavor, digestibility, place in the diet, and related topics, as well as the preservation and marketing of eggs.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 142.—Principles of Nutrition and Nutritive Value of Food. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 48, charts 2.

Definitions are given of the principal terms used in discussions of food and nutrition, and the general laws of the subject are spoken of. Special attention is paid to the composition of food, dietary studies, digestibility, pecuniary economy of foods, and related topics, the text being supplemented by tables and charts. Errors in food economy are pointed out and practical suggestions made.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 182.—Poultry as Food. By Helen W. Atwater. Pp. 40.

Data regarding the composition and food value of poultry are summarized and discussed, the topics treated of including among others varieties of poultry, fattening poultry and its effect on food value, dressing and marketing, marks of good poultry, cooking, nutritive value of poultry and its cost, and the place of poultry in the diet.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 203.—Canned Fruit, Preserves, and Jellies: Household Methods of Preparation. By Maria Parloa. Pp. 32, figs. 5.

Available data are summarized on the household preparation of canned fruit, preserves, jellies, and similar products, the discussion embodying results of a number of experiments and an extended study on the subject. The use of canned and preserved fruits in the home, the preparation of preserved fruits for market, principles of canning and preserving, sterilization, utensils needed for canning and preserving, and the selection of fruit are among the topics treated of. The directions for making various preserves, etc., are accompanied by discussions of the processes involved and the principles on which they depend.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 234.—The Guinea Fowl and Its Use as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 24, figs. 3.

Varieties of guinea fowl; habits and care; marketing, cooking, composition, and food value of the flesh and eggs of guinea fowl, and related questions are discussed, the bulletin as a whole being a summary of available information regarding the value of this class of poultry as table birds and the possibilities of the profitable production of guinea fowl for market.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 249.—Cereal Breakfast Foods. By Chas. D. Woods, D. Sc., and Harry Snyder, B. S. Pp. 36.

For several years the digestibility and nutritive value of cereal breakfast foods have been studied at the Maine and Minnesota experiment stations. The present bulletin summarizes the results of these investigations, as well as available data on the general subject of the nutritive value of this class of food products. Some of the questions considered are the preparation of modern cereal breakfast foods, their composition and digestibility, cooking, the absorption of water by cereals, the relative cost of cereal breakfast foods, and their place in the diet. A section is also devoted to cereal products used as coffee substitutes.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 256.—Preparation of Vegetables for the Table. By Maria Parloa. Pp. 48.

The structure and composition of vegetables, their classification, the general principles which underlie vegetable cookery, the changes which take place when

vegetables are cooked, the waste involved in preparing and cooking vegetables, and similar questions are discussed, and a number of recipes are given for preparing different vegetables for the table. These recipes are types which may be modified or changed to suit the materials or conditions with which the housekeeper has to deal and are based on experiments and practical tests.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 293.—Use of Fruit as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. —. In press.

A summary of data regarding the composition of the more common fruits, their color, flavor, nutritive value, relative economy, and place in the diet. Among the topics considered are ripening and its effect on composition, the changes brought about by cooking, the comparative value of raw and cooked fruit, the hygiene of fruit, overripe, decayed, and unripe fruit, and related questions.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 295.—Potatoes and Other Root Crops Used as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. —. In press.

A general summary of information regarding the composition, digestibility, nutritive value, and hygienic importance of potatoes, sweet potatoes, beets, turnips, and other starch-yielding and succulent root crops used as food. The effects of heat in cooking upon physical structure and flavor, the comparative losses sustained in different methods of cooking, methods of storage and their effect on quality, and other questions regarding the economical use of this class of foods and their place in the diet are considered.

#### CIRCULAR.

Circular No. 46 (revised).—The Functions and Uses of Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 11.

This contains definitions of a number of the terms used in discussing food and a statement of some principles of nutrition. The average composition of a number of the more common American foods is quoted, as well as the commonly accepted dietary standards. Methods of calculating the results of dietary studies and digestion experiments are explained.

#### SEPARATES.

Dietaries in Public Institutions. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 18.  
Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1901.

In addition to a brief review of the history of dietary investigations in public institutions and a discussion of the general principles which underlie such investigations, the article contains an account of dietary studies recently carried on in the New York State hospitals for the insane.

Scope and Results of the Nutrition Investigations of the Office of Experiment Stations. By A. C. True, Ph. D. Pp. 20. Reprinted from Annual Report of the Office of Experiment Stations for 1901.

An historical account of the nutrition investigations carried on in the United States, especially those under the direction of the Office of Experiment Stations. Details of the work carried on by this Office and the cooperating experiment stations and other institutions are given, with a list of the publications reporting the results of the investigations.

The Cost of Food as Related to its Nutritive Value. By R. D. Milner, Ph. B. Pp. 19. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1902.

This article is an attempt to illustrate the way in which application can be made of the results of the nutrition investigations to the problem of economy in the diet. What is especially necessary is the consideration of the relation between the cost of food and its value for nourishment. In the purchase of other things, their value for the purpose for which they are intended is taken into account, as well as their cost, and the same principle may well be applied advantageously to the purchase of food. A number of illustrations are given showing how this may be done.



Dietary Studies of Groups, Especially in Public Institutions. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 20. Reprinted from Annual Report of the Office of Experiment Stations for 1902.

One of the most obvious applications of the results of dietary studies is in the feeding of large groups, where the saving of a small sum per person per day is a matter of importance. The results of dietary studies in the Army and Navy and institutions where large groups were fed under uniform conditions have been summarized and discussed. In general, it may be said that such studies have shown that it is often possible to materially improve the diet and at the same time diminish its cost or furnish a much more palatable diet for the original cost.

Wheat Flour and Bread. By Harry Snyder, Professor of Chemistry, College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, and Chas. D. Woods, Director Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 20. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1903.

The results obtained in the investigations which have been carried on for a number of years on the nutritive value of bread made from different grades of flour are summarized and discussed.

Nutrition Investigations at the Government Hospital for the Insane, Washington, D. C. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 14. Reprinted from Annual Report of the Office of Experiment Stations for 1903.

The results of dietary studies carried on at the Government Hospital for the Insane are briefly summarized and discussed.

Dietetics in Relation to Hospitals for the Insane. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 20. Reprinted from Annual Report of the Office of Experiment Stations for 1904.

On the basis of dietary studies carried on under his direction in hospitals for the insane, especially those at the Government Hospital at Washington, D. C., the author discusses the food requirements of patients and employees and the best methods of meeting them, ration allowance versus physiological demands, the preparation of food and menus, and related topics.

The Respiration Calorimeter. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and F. G. Benedict, Ph. D. Pp. 16. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1904.

The respiration calorimeter, which has been developed in connection with the nutrition investigations of the Office of Experiment Stations, is described, and some of the results obtained with it are spoken of. The data presented include calculations of the average hourly output of carbon dioxide and heat from the body under different conditions, measurements of the diurnal variations in body temperature, data regarding the effects of large amounts of carbon dioxide in the air, and other factors which have to do with problems of ventilation. General experimental methods are described, tests of the accuracy of the apparatus are referred to, and suggestions made regarding profitable lines of work.

Investigations on the Nutrition of Man in the United States. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D., and R. D. Milner, Ph. B. Pp. 20, pls. 6. Document No. 713.

The origin, development, and extent of the cooperative nutrition investigations carried on under the auspices of the Office of Experiment Stations are spoken of, and some of the more important results are summarized and discussed. This account was intended primarily for distribution at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Some Experiment Station Work Relating to the Food and Nutrition of Man. By R. D. Milner, Ph. B. Pp. 15. Reprinted from Annual Report of Office of Experiment Stations for 1905.

A summary of the numerous investigations on food and nutrition undertaken at agricultural experiment stations in the United States independent of work carried on in cooperation with the Office of Experiment Stations. The principal lines of work included are the production and distribution of food, improvement in yield

and quality of cereals, improvement in the character of dairy products, food preservation and preparation, and inspection work carried on in accordance with the State pure-food laws. The direct relations of these investigations to other lines of experiment station work and to the general subject of agriculture are pointed out and the need for further investigations emphasized.

#### POPULAR SUMMARIES.

Popular summaries of experiments on food and nutrition carried on at the agricultural experiment stations are published periodically in the series of Farmers' Bulletins entitled "Experiment Station Work." These, like other Farmers' Bulletins, are available for gratuitous distribution.

#### TECHNICAL BULLETINS OF THE OFFICE FOR SALE OR FOR GRATUITOUS DISTRIBUTION.

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Bulletin No. 28 (revised).—The Chemical Composition of American Food Materials. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and A. P. Bryant, M. S. Pp. 87, figs. 4. Price 5 cents.

This contains tables showing the maximum, minimum, and average composition and fuel value of a large number of different food materials.

Bulletin No. 29.—Dietary Studies at the University of Tennessee in 1895. By Chas. E. Wait, Ph. D., F. C. S., Professor of Chemistry, University of Tennessee. With comments by W. O. Atwater and Chas. D. Woods. Pp. 45. Price 5 cents.

An account of three dietary studies made with the college club of the University of Tennessee and one dietary study of a mechanic's family in Tennessee, with a discussion of the results.

\*Bulletin No. 31.—Dietary Studies at the University of Missouri in 1895, and Data Relating to Bread and Meat Consumption in Missouri. By H. B. Gibson, S. Calvert, and D. W. May, University of Missouri. With comments by W. O. Atwater and Chas. D. Woods. Pp. 24. Price 5 cents.

An account of two dietary studies made with the college club of the University of Missouri and compiled information obtained from the students of the university regarding bread and meat consumption at their homes.

\*Bulletin No. 35.—Food and Nutrition Investigations in New Jersey in 1895 and 1896. By Edward B. Voorhees, A. M., Director New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Stations. Pp. 40. Price 5 cents.

The subjects of these investigations were: (1) The composition and cost of bread in New Jersey; (2) bakery experiments; (3) the composition and cost of milk in cities of New Jersey; and (4) a dietary study. The objects of this work were to secure definite data in regard to the variations in the cost per pound of bread and positive information concerning the variations that exist in the composition of bread and the relative cost per pound of the nutrients contained in it.

- \*Bulletin No. 37.—Dietary Studies at the Maine State College in 1895. By Whitman H. Jordan, M. S., Director Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 57. Price 5 cents.

This investigation may be termed a feeding experiment with man, as in it an attempt was made to control the sources of protein which were furnished in cheap and inexpensive forms. The influence of an abundance of milk in a dietary was also studied, and the results obtained were compared with those of a dietary study made under normal conditions. The investigation included five dietary studies at the college commons.

- \*Bulletin No. 38.—Dietary Studies with Reference to the Food of the Negro in Alabama in 1895 and 1896. Conducted with the cooperation of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, and the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Alabama. Reported by W. O. Atwater and Chas. D. Woods. Pp. 69, pls. 2. Price 5 cents.

Results of an inquiry into the food of the colored population in the Southern States, especially as regards the kinds, amounts, and composition of the food materials used. It embraces also a consideration of the hygienic and pecuniary economy of their diet, its deficiencies, the ways in which it might be improved, and the steps which should be taken to bring about the improvement.

- Bulletin No. 40.—Dietary Studies in New Mexico in 1895. By Arthur Goss, M. S., Professor of Chemistry, New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. Pp. 23. Price 5 cents.

An account of two dietary studies with Mexican families of limited means and one study of a family in more comfortable circumstances. The composition of a number of foods typical of this region in New Mexico is reported, and the dietary studies are discussed in relation to local conditions and compared with similar studies made elsewhere.

- \*Bulletin No. 43.—Losses in Boiling Vegetables and the Composition and Digestibility of Potatoes and Eggs. By H. Snyder, B. S., Almah J. Frisby, M. D., and A. P. Bryant, M. S. Pp. 31, figs. 7. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin contains three articles: The first, by H. Snyder, is entitled "The Loss of Nutrients in Boiling Potatoes, Carrots, and Cabbages," and reports a number of experiments on the losses which these vegetables undergo when boiled in different ways. The second, entitled "The Digestibility of Potatoes and Eggs," by H. Snyder, reports experiments on the digestibility of boiled eggs in pepsin solution and digestive experiments with a man on a mixed diet of which eggs were the principal constituent. The third article is entitled "The Composition of the Different Parts of the Potato and the Loss of Nutrients during the Process of Boiling," by Almah J. Frisby and A. P. Bryant, and reports the composition of different parts of the potato and experiments on the loss of nutrients when potatoes are boiled in different ways.

- Bulletin No. 44.—Report of Preliminary Investigations on the Metabolism of Nitrogen and Carbon in the Human Organism with a Respiration Calorimeter of Special Construction. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., C. D. Woods, B. S., and F. G. Benedict, Ph. D. Pp. 64, figs. 4. Price 5 cents.

A detailed description of a respiration calorimeter suitable for experiments with a man is given, and the methods and apparatus employed in the collection and analysis of the liquid, solid, and gaseous excretory products are described. Four experiments are reported in which the subjects remained in the respiration chamber from three to twelve days. The foods and excretory products were analyzed and the balance of income and outgo of nitrogen and carbon determined.

- \*Bulletin No. 45.—A Digest of Metabolism Experiments in which the Balance of Income and Outgo was Determined. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 434. Price 25 cents.

A compilation including 2,300 experiments with man and 1,400 with domestic animals in which the balance of income and outgo of nitrogen, or nitrogen and car-



bon, with or without oxygen, hydrogen, or mineral matter, was determined. The experiments are classified and arranged, and the tables of results are supplemented by text in which the experiments are described, the objects sought, the experimental methods employed, and the conclusions drawn being noted in more or less detail.

- \*Bulletin No. 46.—Dietary Studies in New York City in 1895 and 1896. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and Chas. D. Woods, B. S. Pp. 117. Price 10 cents.

An account of twenty-one dietary studies of families living in the congested portions of New York City, a family at a mission, and a day nursery at a mission. From the results obtained some deductions are drawn concerning improvements in the living of such families.

- \*Bulletin No. 52.—Nutrition Investigations in Pittsburg, Pa., 1894–1896. By Isabel Bevier, Professor of Natural Science in the Pennsylvania College for Women, Pittsburg. Pp. 48. Price 5 cents.

The investigations reported in this bulletin are: (1) Six dietary studies—one of a professional man's family and five of families of mechanics and day laborers; (2) the composition and prices of bakers' bread in Pittsburg; and (3) the composition of bread and the changes which the materials undergo in baking.

- Bulletin No. 53.—Nutrition Investigations at the University of Tennessee in 1896 and 1897. By Chas. E. Wait, Ph. D., F. C. S., Professor of Chemistry in the University of Tennessee. Pp. 46, figs. 2. Price 5 cents.

The investigations reported in this bulletin are: (1) Studies of the composition of different kinds of meats, including analyses of a side of a native Tennessee beef divided into seventeen cuts, according to the usage of the Knoxville market, of a side of native Tennessee mutton divided into six cuts, and of twenty Tennessee chickens, as purchased in the open market; (2) dietary studies including two mechanics' families living in Knoxville, and two college clubs; and (3) twenty-one digestion experiments with healthy men.

- \*Bulletin No. 54.—Nutrition Investigations in New Mexico in 1897. By Arthur Goss, M. S., Professor of Chemistry, New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. Pp. 20, pl. 1, fig. 1. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin includes an analytical study of a side of New Mexico range beef which was regarded as typical. The results are compared with studies of beef raised in other regions. A dietary study of a poor Mexican family is also reported.

- \*Bulletin No. 55.—Dietary Studies in Chicago in 1895 and 1896. Conducted with the cooperation of Jane Addams and Caroline L. Hunt, of Hull House. Reported by W. O. Atwater and A. P. Bryant. Pp. 76. Price 5 cents.

In this bulletin fifty dietary studies among children, French Canadians, orthodox Russian Jews, unorthodox Russian Jews, and Bohemians living in the thickly congested districts of Chicago are reported, as well as three dietary studies of professional men living in comfortable circumstances. Results are discussed and compared with the results of dietary studies made elsewhere.

- \*Bulletin No. 63.—Description of a New Respiration Calorimeter and Experiments on the Conservation of Energy in the Human Body. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and E. B. Rosa, Ph. D. Pp. 94, pls. 8, figs. 12. Price 10 cents.

The special features of the respiration calorimeter, which have to do with the measurement of the income and outgo of energy, are described. Experiments testing the accuracy of the apparatus are reported in which heat was generated inside the respiration chamber by an electric current or by burning alcohol. Two experiments with a man are also reported.

- \*Bulletin No. 66.—The Physiological Effect of Creatin and Creatinin and Their Value as Nutrients. By J. W. Mallet, M. D., LL. D., Professor of Chemistry in the University of Virginia. Pp. 24. Price 5 cents.

A number of experiments are reported. It was found that creatin and creatinin, which make up the greater part of the nitrogenous material of most meat extracts, do not serve as nutrients in the body. The creatinin is excreted unchanged, while creatin is changed wholly or very largely into creatinin.

- \*Bulletin No. 67.—Studies on Bread and Bread Making. By Harry Snyder and L. A. Voorhees. Pp. 51, pls. 2, figs. 3. Price 10 cents.

Two separate papers are included. In the first Professor Snyder reports the composition of a number of samples of Minnesota bread as compared with its cost; studies of the loss of dry matter, carbon, and nitrogen; the production of soluble carbohydrates and acid; the behavior of wheat proteids, and the changes in the solubility of fat during bread making. Digestion experiments with bread made from patent roller-process flour and bakers' grade flour are also included. Professor Voorhees, in the second paper, reports experiments on the loss of nutrients in bread making, noting especially the changes in the fat, and discusses his investigations in relation to the work of others along similar lines.

- \*Bulletin No. 68.—A Description of Some Chinese Vegetable Food Materials and Their Nutritive and Economic Value. By Walter C. Blasdale, Instructor in Chemistry, University of California. Pp. 48, pls. 8. Price 10 cents.

The composition of a number of vegetable food materials in common use among the Chinese on the Pacific coast of the United States is reported and their food value, etc., discussed. The vegetable products include, among other materials, lotus roots and seeds, taro, lily bulbs and flowers, cassava, lichi nuts, Chinese olives, and water chestnuts.

- \*Bulletin No. 69.—Experiments on the Metabolism of Matter and Energy in the Human Body. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and F. G. Benedict, Ph. D., with the cooperation of A. W. Smith, M. S., and A. P. Bryant, M. S. Pp. 112. Price 10 cents.

A technical bulletin, reporting progress in the experiments with the respiration calorimeter. The details of six experiments with healthy men are reported, in which the balance of income and outgo of matter and energy was determined. Check experiments, designed to show the accuracy of the apparatus, are also described in detail.

- \*Bulletin No. 71.—Dietary Studies of Negroes in Eastern Virginia in 1897 and 1898. By H. B. Frissell, D. D., Principal of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, and Isabel Bevier, Professor of Chemistry at Lake Erie College. Pp. 45, pls. 3. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin describes two separate papers, which together report the details of nineteen dietary studies of negro families in eastern Virginia. Some had been under the influence of Hampton Institute, others had not had such training, while many families had very limited incomes. The results are discussed and compared with those of dietary studies of negroes in Alabama and with averages of studies of families of different occupations and incomes in other regions.

- Bulletin No. 84.—Nutrition Investigations at the California Agricultural Experiment Station, 1896-1898. By M. E. Jaffa, M. S., Assistant Professor of Agriculture, University of California. Pp. 39. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin reports four dietary studies of infants, one of the university football team during training, and one of a chemist's family. A digestion experiment with an infant on a milk diet was also made, as well as a metabolism experiment in which the balance of income and outgo of nitrogen was determined. The results are discussed at considerable length.

- \*Bulletin No. 85.—A Report of Investigations on the Digestibility and Nutritive Value of Bread. By Chas. D. Woods, Director, and L. H. Merrill, Chemist, Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 51. Price 5 cents.

This technical bulletin is a progress report giving the results of experiments with men on the digestibility of bread of various kinds when eaten alone and when forming part of a simple mixed diet. Artificial digestion experiments with the same sorts of bread were also made, and the metabolic nitrogen in the feces and methods of estimating it were studied. In the experiments with men the balance of income and outgo of nitrogen was determined. A test of skim milk versus water for use in mixing dough showed the value of the former, as the resulting bread was richer in protein than that mixed with water. The loss of nutrients which is observed in bread making was also studied.

- \*Bulletin No. 91.—Nutrition Investigations at the University of Illinois, North Dakota Agricultural College, and Lake Erie College, Ohio, 1896-1900. By H. S. Grindley and J. L. Sammis, E. F. Ladd, and Isabel Bevier and Elizabeth C. Sprague. Pp. 42. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin reports dietary studies. The two at the University of Illinois were made with the family of an instructor and a club of workmen; the study at the North Dakota Agricultural College with a club of women students, and that at Lake Erie College also with a club of women, including students and instructors. The investigations are discussed and compared with similar work carried on elsewhere in the United States.

- Bulletin No. 98.—The Effect of Severe and Prolonged Muscular Work on Food Consumption, Digestion, and Metabolism. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and H. C. Sherman, Ph. D., and The Mechanical Work and Efficiency of Bicyclers, by R. C. Carpenter, M. S. Pp. 67, figs. 3. Price 5 cents.

A six-day bicycle match at Madison Square Garden, New York City, afforded the authors an opportunity to study the effect of very severe and prolonged muscular work upon the consumption and digestibility of food and the metabolism of nitrogen. The results are compared with those obtained under other conditions of muscular work. In the chapter devoted to a consideration of the mechanical work and efficiency of bicyclers the amount of work actually performed is discussed, as well as the efficiency of man considered as a machine, and related topics.

- Bulletin No. 101.—Studies on Bread and Bread Making at the University of Minnesota in 1899 and 1900. By Harry Snyder, B. S., Professor of Chemistry, College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, and Chemist of the Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 65, pls. 3, fig. 1. Price 5 cents.

Continuing earlier work, digestion experiments were made with bread from whole-wheat flour, graham flour, and standard patent flour, the flours all being ground from the same lot of hard Scotch Fife spring wheat. The standard patent flour, as shown by analysis, contained somewhat less total protein than the flours of lower grade, but was more thoroughly digested. Artificial digestion experiments with bread of different kinds were made, as well as experiments in bread making and studies of the effect on digestibility of consuming different amounts of oatmeal and of bread, and the effect on digestibility of increasing the proportion of starch in bread.

- \*Bulletin No. 102.—Experiments on Losses in Cooking Meat, 1898-1900. By H. S. Grindley, D. Sc., Professor of Chemistry, College of Agriculture, University of Illinois, with the cooperation of H. McCormack, M. S., and H. C. Porter, M. S. Pp. 64. Price 5 cents.

Twenty-nine experiments on the losses of material when meat is fried, stewed, and boiled are reported. The experimental methods followed are described and the results are briefly discussed. The present bulletin is a progress report.



\*Bulletin No. 107.—Nutrition Investigations Among Fruitarians and Chinese at the California Agricultural Experiment Station, 1899–1901. By M. E. Jaffa, M. S., Assistant Professor of Agriculture, University of California. Pp. 43. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin includes six dietary studies, a digestion experiment, and a study of the metabolism of nitrogen made with persons living practically on a diet of fruit and nuts; also three dietary studies with Chinese engaged in light muscular work, moderate muscular work, and severe labor. The diet of the fruitarians furnishes less nutrients and energy than the average diet of persons of similar age and occupation consuming ordinary foods. Instances are, however, on record in which persons consuming a mixed diet have lived on as small amounts. The diet of the Chinese corresponded quite closely as regards nutrients and energy to that of Americans engaged in similar work. Studies like those here reported are useful in determining dietary standards and in similar ways. The results obtained are discussed in relation to the general laws of nutrition.

Bulletin No. 109.—Experiments on the Metabolism of Matter and Energy in the Human Body, 1898–1900. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and F. G. Benedict, Ph. D., with the cooperation of A. P. Bryant, M. S., A. W. Smith, M. S., and J. F. Snell, Ph. D. Pp. 147. Price 10 cents.

Continuing earlier work with the respiration calorimeter, details are reported of thirteen metabolism experiments, in which the balance of income and outgo of matter and energy was determined. Improvements in the apparatus and methods of experimenting are also reported, as well as the results of experiments designed to test the accuracy of the respiration calorimeter. The bulletin concludes with a chapter summarizing the results which have been obtained in experiments like those reported. These conclusions have to do with such questions as the total carbon dioxid and water excreted per day, the amount excreted at night as compared with that excreted during the day, and similar topics. In many cases new values are given for physiological constants.

Bulletin No. 116.—Dietary Studies in New York City in 1896 and 1897. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and A. P. Bryant, M. S. Pp. 83. Price 5 cents.

Thirty-six dietary studies are reported of families, in many cases with limited incomes, living in the thickly congested districts of New York City. The results are discussed in relation to dietary standards and the data obtained in similar studies of families living under different circumstances as regards income and occupation.

Bulletin No. 117.—Experiments on the Effect of Muscular Work Upon the Digestibility of Food and the Metabolism of Nitrogen. Conducted at the University of Tennessee, 1899–1900. By Chas. E. Wait, Ph. D., F. C. S., Professor of Chemistry, University of Tennessee. Pp. 43. Price 5 cents.

The results of nine experiments are reported, in which the effects of muscular work upon the digestibility of food and the metabolism of nitrogen were studied, the subjects of the experiments being healthy young men performing muscular work under different dietary conditions. The bulletin also gives the results of tests of the possibility of determining the composition of any given diet by means of composite samples.

\*Bulletin No. 121.—Experiments on the Metabolism of Nitrogen, Sulphur, and Phosphorus in the Human Organism. By H. C. Sherman, Ph. D., Instructor in Analytical Chemistry, Columbia University. Conducted in cooperation with Columbia University. Pp. 47, figs. 3. Price 5 cents.

In ten digestion experiments on a diet of bread and milk the metabolism of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sulphur was studied with special reference to the cleavage in the body of the nutrients supplying these elements, and the effect of loss of sleep on their excretion. Apparently the digestibility of the food was not influenced by loss of sleep nor by the continuance of the diet for the experimental periods. Marked loss of sleep for three successive nights resulted in a small increase in the amount of



nitrogen, sulphur, and phosphorus excreted. The increase of sulphur was proportioned to that of nitrogen and the increase of phosphorus was very slightly larger, the relative difference being no greater than might be attributed to the usual daily variations.

\*Bulletin No. 126.—Studies on the Digestibility and Nutritive Value of Bread at the University of Minnesota in 1900–1902. By Harry Snyder, B. S., Professor of Chemistry, College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, and Chemist, Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 52, pls. 3. Price 5 cents.

This bulletin reports the results of nine experiments with bread made from different grades of flour ground from hard spring wheat and fifteen experiments with bread made from different grades of flour ground from soft winter wheat. In connection with the digestion experiments the income and outgo of nitrogen were also studied. The results of these investigations are in accord with those obtained in former studies, and indicate that the fine patent flours from both hard and soft wheat are more digestible than corresponding coarse flours, though they contain somewhat less protein and mineral matter pound for pound. The investigations also show that all flours are quite thoroughly digested, and furnish experimental proofs of the generally recognized fact that wheat flours of all grades are among the most important articles of diet.

Bulletin No. 129.—Dietary Studies in Boston and Springfield, Mass., Philadelphia, Pa., and Chicago, Ill. By Lydia Southard, Ellen H. Richards, Susannah Usher, Bertha M. Terrill, and Amelia Shapleigh. Edited by R. D. Milner. Pp. 103. Price 10 cents.

Five dietary studies at the Boston School of Housekeeping, one at the Bible Normal College, then located at Springfield, now at Hartford, Conn., and twenty-seven studies of poor families in Philadelphia and thirty-three in Chicago, are reported. The studies at the School of Housekeeping and at the Bible Normal College are of especial interest, since in the majority of cases the food was planned beforehand, the diet being of a definite cost and so arranged that the nutrients supplied should conform to the commonly accepted dietary standards. These studies show one of the ways in which the results of dietary studies may be practically applied. The results of the studies in Philadelphia and Chicago are of interest for purposes of comparison and in the general discussion of dietary standards.

Bulletin No. 132.—Further Investigations Among Fruitarians at the California Agricultural Experiment Station. By M. E. Jaffa, M. S., Assistant Professor of Agriculture, University of California. Pp. 81. Price 5 cents.

The special object of these investigations, as of those reported in an earlier bulletin, was to study the value of fruits and nuts when these articles constituted an integral part of the diet. Nine dietary studies and thirty-one digestion experiments were carried out. In the majority of the dietary studies and in all of the digestion experiments fruits and nuts constituted all, or almost all, of the daily foods. As shown by their composition and digestibility, both fruits and nuts can be favorably compared with other and more common foods. At ordinary prices fruits are not expensive as sources of carbohydrates, and nuts are reasonable as sources of protein and fat. The result of the investigations as a whole emphasized the fact that both fruits and nuts should be considered as true foods rather than as food accessories.

\*Bulletin No. 136.—Experiments on the Metabolism of Matter and Energy in the Human Body, 1900–1902. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D., and F. G. Benedict, Ph. D., with the cooperation of A. P. Bryant, M. S., R. D. Milner, Ph. B., and Paul Murrill, Ph. D. Pp. 357. Price 20 cents.

The results obtained in 21 experiments on the metabolism of matter and energy in the human body are reported. The experiments were made with the Atwater-Rosa respiration calorimeter, and the report includes a description of the apparatus and of the important modifications and improvements in it and in the analytical methods which have been devised. The present investigations, like those previously reported, yield valuable data regarding the conservation and transformation of matter and energy in the body, the demands of the body for nutriment, the effect of

muscular work upon such demand, and the actual nutritive values of different food materials and their constituents, and have for their ultimate object the study of the fundamental laws of nutrition. The results obtained agree very closely with the theoretical values and warrant the conclusion that the respiration calorimeter is an apparatus of precision. The bulletin also includes a summary of the work carried on to date with the respiration calorimeter, making in all 55 experiments, covering one hundred and fifty days, with subjects in the respiration chamber.

**Bulletin No. 141.—Experiments on Losses in Cooking Meat, 1900–1903.**

By H. S. Grindley, D. Sc., Associate Professor of Chemistry, College of Science, University of Illinois, and Timothy Mojonnier, M. S.  
Pp. 95. Price 5 cents.

In continuation of work reported in an earlier bulletin 87 experiments on the cooking of meat were carried on, with a view to securing accurate data regarding the changes which take place in cooking by the ordinary household methods and the effects of cooking upon nutritive value. In general it may be said that the chief loss in weight when meat is boiled, sautéed, or panbroiled consists of water removed by the heat of cooking. When meat is roasted the chief losses are water and fat. When meats are boiled the fatter kinds and cuts, other things being equal, lose less water and less nitrogenous and mineral matters, but more fat than the leaner kinds and cuts. When boiled, sautéed, panbroiled, or roasted the losses increase directly with the time and temperature of cooking.

**Bulletin No. 143.—Studies on the Digestibility and Nutritive Value of Bread at the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, 1899–1903.**

By C. D. Woods, Director, and L. H. Merrill, Chemist, Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 77. Price 5 cents.

The results of 32 experiments with men on the digestibility of bread made from different grades of flour are reported, as well as the data obtained from 30 artificial digestion experiments with similar kinds of bread, the objects of the investigations as a whole being to secure information regarding the comparative nutritive value of different grades of flour. In connection with the digestion experiments the balance of income and outgo of nitrogen was determined. The results obtained are in harmony with those obtained in earlier investigations and show that the breads made from all the common grades of flour are quite thoroughly digested and, considering both composition and digestibility, differ little in nutritive value. They also emphasize the fact that breads of all sorts are among the most useful and economical articles of diet.

Special studies were also made of methods of estimating the metabolic products in feces and the value of different methods of identifying and separating feces in digestion experiments.

**Bulletin No. 149.—Studies of the Food of Maine Lumbermen. By**

C. D. Woods, Director, and E. R. Mansfield, Assistant Chemist, Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Pp. 60, pls. 2. Price 10 cents.

This investigation includes 5 dietary studies and 6 digestion experiments carried on in Maine lumber camps during the winter season when the men were engaged in severe manual labor. The diet was very simple in character, consisting largely of baked beans, bread, cakes of several sorts, and some vegetables and fruits, with more or less meat. The large amounts eaten are attributed in a great measure to the severe work in the open air and the cold and wet to which the men were exposed. Considered as a whole, the coefficients of digestibility of the mixed diet agree quite closely with average values obtained in a large number of American experiments made under widely different circumstances. In calculating the results of the digestion experiments corrections for the metabolic products were introduced.

**Bulletin No. 150.—Dietary Studies at the Government Hospital for the Insane, Washington, D. C. By H. A. Pratt and R. D. Milner.**

Pp. 170, pls. 2. Price 15 cents.

The investigations reported cover 22 studies with patients and 4 with officers and attendants at the Government Hospital for the Insane. The amounts eaten agree fairly well with the commonly accepted dietary standard for men performing similar amounts of work and with what has been found in other institutions. During the

investigation much attention was paid to recording data regarding waste, and suggestions were made for lessening the waste and improving the diet. In general it was found that the food provided at the institution studied was abundant, of good quality, and well prepared and served.

**Bulletin No. 152.—Dietary Studies with Harvard University Students.**  
By Edward Mallinckrodt, jr. Pp. 63. Price 5 cents.

At Harvard University 10 dietary studies were made with students who spent a limited amount for their food. As compared with the results obtained in similar studies with students at other institutions and with commonly accepted dietary standards, the food furnished less protein and energy than usual. However, when the data obtained are considered on the basis of protein and energy supplied per kilogram, body weight, the agreement with the commonly accepted dietary standards is in general fairly close. In connection with the investigations data are recorded regarding the physical condition of the subjects and their university work.

**Bulletin No. 156.—Studies on the Digestibility and Nutritive Value of Bread and of Macaroni at the University of Minnesota, 1903-1905.**  
By Harry Snyder, B. S., Professor of Chemistry, College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, and Chemist, Agricultural Experiment Stations. Pp. 80, pls. 4, fig. 1. Price 5 cents.

In 18 digestion experiments with men it was found that bread made from straight grade flour was more completely digested than that made from entire wheat or Graham flour and yielded a larger amount of digestible nutrients and available energy, although considered from the standpoint of composition the straight grade flour was somewhat inferior to the other flours. The flours used were ground under uniform conditions from the same lots of Oklahoma and Oregon wheats. These results are in accord with those obtained in earlier investigations. Nine digestion experiments with macaroni made from American-grown durum or macaroni wheat showed that it had about the same digestibility as standard flour bread, and the conclusion seems warranted that in nutritive value it compared favorably with imported macaroni of good quality. Digestion experiments were also made with bran flour, wheat germ flour, and durum wheat breakfast food.

**Bulletin No. 159.—A Digest of Japanese Investigations on the Nutrition of Man.** By Kintaro Oshima, Director of the Hokkaido Agricultural Experiment Station, Sapporo, Japan. Pp. 224. Price 15 cents.

Investigations on the composition of food materials, and the amounts of food consumed by persons of different ages and occupations and living under different circumstances are summarized, as well as digestion experiments, nitrogen-metabolism experiments, and other special studies, with the purpose of presenting a digest of Japanese food investigations, particularly those which have been published in the Japanese language and are hence available to few students outside of Japan. The place of rice in the diet, the use of bean cheese or bean curd and other soy-bean preparations to supply the required amount of nitrogenous material, and other related topics are discussed.

In connected with this work the compiler has deduced factors for computing the fuel values of Japanese food materials which he believes are more accurate than those which have been commonly used for this purpose in the past.

**Bulletin No. 162.—Studies on the Influence of Cooking upon the Nutritive Value of Meats at the University of Illinois, 1903-1904.**  
By H. S. Grindley, Sc. D., Professor of General Chemistry, College of Science, University of Illinois, and A. D. Emmett, A. M., Research Chemist, Nutrition Investigations, University of Illinois. Pp. 230. Price 15 cents.

Continuing earlier work, the details of 51 experiments are reported which were undertaken to study the nutritive value of different kinds and cuts of meat cooked in various ways. The analytical methods followed are described and the investigations as a whole discussed with special reference to the losses involved in cooking meats, the amount and nature of the nitrogenous constituents of raw and cooked meat, the development of flavor as related to methods of cooking, the nutritive value



of broth from bones and meat, and similar topics. The various methods of cooking meat materially modified the appearance, texture, and flavor, and hence the palatability, but were found on an average to exercise little effect on total nutritive value.

**Bulletin No. 175.**—Experiments on the Metabolism of Matter and Energy in the Human Body, 1903-1904. By F. G. Benedict, Ph. D., and R. D. Milner, Ph. B. Pp. 335, pls. 3, figs. 4. Price — cents. In press.

Like the experiments reported in previous publications, this bulletin furnishes important data regarding the transformations of matter and energy in the body, the demands of the body for nutriment, the effect of muscular work upon such demands, and the actual nutritive values of the different kinds of food materials and their ingredients. The results of eleven experiments, with five different men as subjects, are reported. The experiments differ materially from earlier work, in that the respiration calorimeter with which they were made has undergone an important modification which admits of the direct measurement of the oxygen consumed by the subject, thus affording a more complete balance of income and outgo of matter and energy than has ever been possible hitherto. Preceding the account of the experiments is a description of the respiration calorimeter in its modified form.

**Bulletin No. 185.**—Iron in Food and Its Functions in Nutrition. By H. C. Sherman, Ph. D., Professor of Organic Analysis, Columbia University. Pp. 80. Price — cents. In press.

A summary and discussion of previous work on iron in food and its functions in nutrition precede the results of three metabolism experiments in which the balance of income and outgo of nitrogen, iron, and other mineral constituents were determined, as well as the results of two dietary studies undertaken with special reference to the iron content of the food consumed. Estimates are also given of the amounts of iron taken per man per day in twenty dietary studies made under the auspices of this Office in different parts of the United States.

**Bulletin No. 187.**—Studies of the Digestibility and Nutritive Value of Legumes at the University of Tennessee, 1901-1905. By Chas. E. Wait, Ph. D., F. C. S., Professor of Chemistry, University of Tennessee. Pp. —. Price — cents. In press.

The results of seventy experiments are reported in which the digestibility of white navy beans, red kidney beans, and several varieties of cowpeas was studied with healthy young men as subjects. Generally speaking, the legumes were as well assimilated and digested as are the coarser cereal products, and in some instances the digestibility was as great as that of the finer grades of flour. The investigations as a whole demonstrate the important place which legumes may fill in the diet as economical and palatable sources of protein.

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**Circular No. 43.**—Foods—Nutrients—Food Economy. Pp. 6, diags. 2. Replaced by Circular No. 46.

**Food and Diet.** By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 44. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1894.

The demands of the body for nutriment, the relative value of different foods for supplying it, and the food requirement of different individuals are discussed, as well as some of the common errors in food economy, methods of avoiding waste, and related topics.



Some Results of Dietary Studies in the United States. By A. P. Bryant. Pp. 14. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1898.

A popular article describing methods of making dietary studies and discussing the difference in the food habits of people of different occupations and conditions—such as farmers, mechanics, professional men, Mexicans, negroes, and others. Some ways in which the results of dietary studies may be made practically useful are pointed out.

Development of the Nutrition Investigations of the Department of Agriculture. By A. C. True, Ph. D., and R. D. Milner, Ph. B. Pp. 16. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1899.

An historical and statistical account of the nutrition investigations conducted under the auspices of this Department. Many references are also made to American work which antedates these investigations and to later work conducted at American universities and other institutions.

The Value of Potatoes as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 16, figs. 3. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1900. Replaced by Farmers' Bulletin No. 295.

Fruit and Its Uses as Food. By C. F. Langworthy, Ph. D. Pp. 18. Reprinted from Yearbook of Department of Agriculture for 1905. Replaced by Farmers' Bulletin No. 293.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 23.—Foods: Nutritive Value and Cost. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 32, diag. 2. Replaced by Farmers' Bulletin No. 142.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 74.—Milk as Food. Pp. 39, charts 2.

Bulletin No. 21.—Methods and Results of Investigations on the Chemistry and Economy of Food. By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. Pp. 222, charts 3, figs. 15.

This bulletin discusses food and its uses, the composition of food materials, the digestibility of food, preparation and cooking, uses of food in the body, metabolism of energy, pecuniary economy of food, dietaries and dietary standards, and errors in food economy.

Bulletin No. 32.—Dietary Studies at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., in 1895. By Winthrop E. Stone, Ph. D., Professor of Chemistry, Purdue University. With comments by W. O. Atwater and Chas. D. Woods. Pp. 28.

An account of dietary studies in the families of a teacher and a tinner in Indiana, with a discussion of the results.

Bulletin No. 56.—History and Present Status of Instruction in Cooking in the Public Schools of New York City. Reported by Mrs. Louise E. Hogan, with an introduction by A. C. True, Ph. D. Pp. 70, pls. 12.

This bulletin includes an account of the introduction, growth, and present status of teaching cooking in the public schools of New York City. Sample lessons are quoted which show the course followed; and exercises, both compositions and drawings, prepared by pupils, are also given.

Bulletin No. 75.—Dietary Studies of University Boat Crews. By W. O. Atwater and A. P. Bryant. Pp. 72. Price 5 cents.

Dietary studies are reported of the Harvard and Yale university and freshman boat crews at their quarters at their respective universities and at Gales Ferry before the annual boat race. A study of the captain of the Harvard freshman crew at Gales Ferry was also made. These investigations were undertaken primarily to secure data regarding the food requirements of men performing severe muscular work. The diet

of the boat crews was found to contain more protein and to furnish more energy than that of students not engaged in such exercise. These and other observed facts are discussed in relation to the results of other dietary studies and the commonly accepted theories of nutrition.

**Bulletin No. 89.—Experiments on the Effect of Muscular Work Upon the Digestibility of Food and the Metabolism of Nitrogen.** Conducted at the University of Tennessee, 1897–1899. By Chas. E. Wait, Ph. D., F. C. S., Professor of Chemistry at the University of Tennessee. Pp. 77. Price 5 cents.

Sixteen experiments are reported in which the effect of muscular work upon the digestibility of food and upon the metabolism of nitrogen was studied. The subjects were young men in good health and performed muscular work under different dietary conditions.

**Food and Diet.** By W. O. Atwater, Ph. D. (Charts I–IV, size 26 by 40 inches.)

**Chart I.—Nutrients of Food and Their Uses in the Body.** This shows in tabular form the composition of food materials as purchased, with examples of the different nutrients and functions of each. A definition of food is also given.

**Chart II.—Composition of Food Materials.** This shows by means of colored lines the composition and fuel value of a number of common food materials, both animal and vegetable.

**Chart III.—Pecuniary Economy of Food.** This gives the amount of a number of food materials which may be purchased for 10 cents, and shows by means of colored lines the comparison and fuel value of each.

**Chart IV.—Dietaries and Dietary Standards.** This shows by means of colored lines the nutrients and fuel value of the dietaries consumed by the people of various conditions in the United States and other countries. The dietary standards for a man at little work, at moderate work, and at severe work are also given.